

**REMARKS**

This application has been allowed.

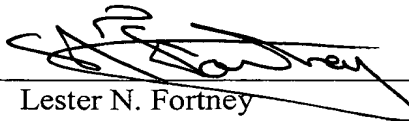
Upon reviewing the claims prior to payment of the issue fee, Applicant's representative discovered a minor typographical error in claim 16. Specifically, claim 16, line 4 originally included the term "first end". However, in the Amendment submitted on July 13, 2005, the word "end" was inadvertently deleted from the claim in the "Listing of Claims" of the Amendment. This Amendment simply corrects that typographical error.

**Information Disclosure Statement**

An Information Disclosure Statement was mailed in this case on June 20, 2001. The Information Disclosure Statement was received in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 22, 2001. A copy of a postcard bearing the seal acknowledging receipt of the Information Disclosure Statement and a copy of the Form PTO-1449 submitted are enclosed. However, Applicant did not receive the initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 documenting the Examiner's review of these submitted references. An initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 is respectfully requested to complete the Applicant's file in this case.

Respectfully submitted,  
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